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Serial No. :	09/578,827	)	C. Collins
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For :	SHORT-ROOT GENE, PROMOTER, AND USES THEREOF	)	

**AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the March 31, 2004, office action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.